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# THE INTELLIGENCER.

WHEELING, DECEMBER 8, 1897.

On Monday morning, the day on which President McKinley sent his message to Congress the New York Herald published the result of a complete poll of the senate and house of representatives, show ing that the majority of both houses will stand by the administration's Cuban policy. The poll shows that Congress will concur in the wishes of the President and give a fair trial to the new scheme of autonomy to be inaugurated before taking radical action. The net result of the interviews by the members of both houses is shown in the following table:

menators who tavor, but do not expect action.

Senators for immediate action.

Senators non-committal or not seen.

Representatives against action.

Representatives non-committal or not seen.

Representatives non-committal or not seen.

While the Herald's interviews show that there is an overwhelming pro-Cuban sentiment in Congress, and that the sympathy for the insurgents is unstinted. The conservative element that is willing to trust the matter to the Executive prevails, and the large majority will support the administration to prevent action that would interfere with the desire of the President to pursue a conservative course and give Spain opportunity to test her policy. The Herald

portunity to test her policy. The Herald gays:

In some respects the interviews are more significant than the poll. They show that everything depends upon the leaders in the house of representatives. The senate has already passed a resolution recognizing the Cubans as beligerents. It is pending in the house. The interviews show that notwithstanding their strong sympathy for Cuba the most of the Republicans and not a few of the Democrats think that the whole madler can safely be left in the hands of the President.

It is significant that Representative Dinsmore, the leader of the Democratic minority of the committee on foreign affairs, is very conservative and does not advocate that Congress should take the matter out of the hands of the President. Although the pressure may be strong to have the speaker let the bars down and permit the Morgan belligerency resolution to come to a vote, the poll shows that the connervative leaders will have a strong backing, and with the speaker and the committee on foreign affairs on their side be able to control matters.

Though the pro-Cuban sentiment is stronger and the influence of the administration is weaker in the senate, the result of the poll of that body shows there is little probability of any action. Many, even of the most radical senators, are against taking any further step at this time.

Members of Congress understand that

Members of Congress understand that the Cuban situation at present is radically different from what it was when Congress was in session last summer. The

new Liberal government of Spain, as pointed out by the President, has come into power in the meantime and now of-Cuba autonomy of a more liberal character than any one expected; while a nore humane policy in the contest of the war has been inaugurated. The confine ment of American prisoners did much toward increasing the feeling against Spain in this country, but under the new regime all have been liberated and this country has no longer a grievance in this respect.

The situation warrants the prediction that the sober judgment of Congress will be to sustain the policy of the President, which does not carry with it an indifference for the future. On the contrary, the President plainly announces that a violation of faith upon the part of Spain will call for drastic measures on the part of the administration of the United States. It is this attitude of the Executive that causes the level headed ones among senators and representatives to express sympathy with the policy recommended by the President.

# Stop the Slander Mill.

Some time since the Intelligencer published an article from the Washington Post defending Congress from the slanders of chronic pessimists, who are continually charging our national legislature with corruption and incompetency thus calumniating the American people who are eponsors for Congress. The Post made some very sensible and patriotic comments on this reprehensible habit on the part of certain newspapers, which exruck a responsive cord in the hearts of

those who read them. Our contemporary, incident to the as-sembling of Congress on Monday, again refers to the fact, ching one or two instances wherein newspapers have in dulged recently in unwaranted comments calculated to convey a wrong impression on young and inexperienced minds concerning the character of congresemen and to lessen public appreciation of this important branch of the government the most important branch, in fact, for it most directly represents the people. Congress, says the Post, is precisely what the founders of the republic intended to to be-representative of the people and the states. "To charge Congress with corruption, igniprance, or incompetency is to assert that the people are corrupt, ignorant and incopable of bearing their

part in the maintenance of a decent and respectable government."

weeks past, in anticipation of the as sembling of Congress, a number of news papers, "mostly Mugwump," have been uttering groans and predicting disaster because of the fear that Congress isn't equal to its responsibilities, and quotes the following from the Philadelphia Telagraph as a mild example of this style

But it is not alone anxiety respecting legitimate and required action by Congress that causes perturbation of the public mind, it is nositive apprehension of evil designs capried to consummation by corrupt methods, and of incompetent blums derings that are worse than crimes.

The Intelligencer awares with the Post

The Intelligencer agrees with the Post that this is an outrageous slander of the American people themselves, and of their institutions. The people of the United States have no such lack of confidence in their agents. There are differences of opinion among congressmen regarding matters bearing on public policy, and as to what is best for the public welfare, but each represents a constituency whose views he reflects, and when he is charged with evil motives by these pessimistic or we should say, dyspeptic critics, the charge is indirectly against that constituency.

The following is quoted as another

eample of this etyle of comment:
It has come to pass that the meeting of Congress is a blight upon the country. We look forward to the essembling of our legislators in Washington with dread, and we endure their presence there at best with fearful hopes that their proceedings may not be so disastrous as we have reason to apprehend. The time has been when to represent a worthy constituency was really an honor, and the assumed title of "Hon." had some vital significance. It is plain to be seen now, however, that if the session of Congress continues to be regarded as a highling misfortune, membership in that body will become a crying shame and disgrace.

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This is downright falsehood from star to finish. It is not true of any Congress that has ever assembled, either in the early days of the republic or in the immediate past or present. Such expressions are unworthy of an American newspaper, for there is no justification for them. They are only worthy of notice as affording an illustration of a sort of vituperative insanity that prevails among a certain class of newspapers that seem to be happiest when they are discrediting American institutions.

Our Washington contemporary is right when it says that "their habit is bad in morals and worse as to patriotism. So far as their influence extends, it gives the young and inexperienced a false and in jurious impression as to the results of popular government. To the foreign monarchical critics of our great exprtment these American condemnations of the capacity of the people to rule themselves are always acceptable." This is sensible characterization of the habit and its effect. A better appreciation of the popular branch of the government and fairer consideration is needed in certain journalistic circles.

Some Pertinent Questions.

The Chicago Inter-Ocean asks some pertinent questions regarding the opposition of England and Japan to the annexation of Hawaii to this country. It wants to know why these countries are so solicitous about our welfare in respect to annexation. Why do they deplore so grievously the misfortunes that they think annexation would bring us? Why are they so suddenly fearful of our making a misstep in our national policy? Why are they so anxious to hold us back from a course which they say is inconsistent with the progress of our institutions?

Germany, France and Russia are not so solicitous about us. Only Japan and England. Surely there must be some selfish motive back of the course of these two countries. Can we believe that it is an unselfish interest in the welfare of th United States? And why are certain American newspapers backing them up in their oily arguments? Can it be that thèse newspapers are being decrived by the "disinterested" attitude of Great Bri tain and Japan, which countries have adopted this plan of campaign, knowing that open defiance on their part in the matter of Hawaiian annexation would make the American people rise up as one man and demand annexation? They know the temper of the people of this

We agree with the Inter-Ocean in the conclusion of its article, in which it asks many pointed questions on the above The gravest question to come before Congress, says the Inter-Ocean, is this annexation question, not so much on account of present conditions as on account of the future peril that a false colution of the problem would bring upon

Mr. C. T. Rainey, of Pittsburgh, Pa. has published a farm line map of Green county, Pa., which is one of the most complete publications of the kind we have ever seen. It shows every road, stream, township and farm line in the county, with the number of acres marked upon each farm, locates every oil and gas well. The map is invaluable, not alone to the citizens of Greene county, but to all who are interested in oil, gas or coal, to railway promoters, to bicyclists and others. It is sold at a reasonable price, and should be in the office of every man who has business dealings or other interests over in Greene county.

The great and powerful German government brought little Hayti to time in the mattr of indemnity in the case of Herr Lueders. Germany's claim was just and Hayti being so small a power was more prompt in granting the dethe murdered German missionaries, China will come to terms, however, mooner or later.

It appears that the alleged California protest against the confirmation of Judge McKenna's nomination as an aesociate justice of the supreme court will not materialise. Theretenoorganized movement in that direction and the California delegation in Congress will not oppose Mc

The esteemed Register says the Presi dent's annual message is "weak!" and then proceeds to devote two columns to editorial misrepresentation of it, as if fourful that its readers, on perusing the message, might disgover that the weakness doesn't exist.

Superstitious people in the vicinity of the white house are telling of a phenomenon which they contend has some meaning. It is that previous to the President's departure to his mother's bedside. The Post refers to the fact that for a shadow fell upon one of the pillars of

east a shadow; and that from a formless endition it grew into a portrait of the President. It must require an elastic imagination to work such a wonder. The people who claim they saw state what they had been drinking.

John Morgan, the Jackson county triple murderer, is showing a wonderful amount of indifference for one so near to the scaffold. He treats the matter in the light of a toke, and is offering his confersions for \$25 spot cash. depravity of the wretch is almost incon-

The Eastham trial grows in interest as it proceeds. Some remarkable teartmony has been brought out by the prosecution and the defense promises some quite as sensational. The case is one of the most interesting of the many interesting murder cases that have been in the courts of

#### RECENT PUBLICATIONS.

What would you do if war should be declared to-morrow with a European power? How would it change your home life, the lives of your brother and other relatives? How would it affect your business connections and business? What changes would it make in financial, city, siate and national affairs? It is these interesting problems which a writer in the December Cosmopolitan has undertaken to sketch under the heading of "A Brief History of Our Late War With Spain," at the same time vividly describing the exciting scenes which would attend the opening of hostilities.

The wife of the President has given special permission to John Philip Sousa, "The March King," to dedicate to her his new composition, just finished, and which will be called "The Lady of the White House." Mrs. McKinley forwarded her permission last week to the editor of The Ladies' Home Journal, which will publish the Sousa composition complete in its next issue. This which will plantar the soulse composition complete in its next issue. This magazine has also received for the same number a new and large portrait of Mrs. McKinley, taken a few days ago in the white house conservatory.

The Atlantic monthly has in recent years been especially rich in reminiscences, and in 1895 there will appear brief contributions of this nature from several notable persons. These reminiscences will be full both of human interest and of historical yauge. Followiscences will be full both of human interest and of historical vaiue. Following his delightful series of "Cheerful Yesterdays." Colonel T. W. Higginson will contribute three more chapters relating especially to his life as a man of letters. In one he will recall literary London as he first knew it, and in another literary Paris, and in the third he will recount his experiences and recollections as a popular orator—on the platform and the stump.

Mrs. Julia Ward Howe will recount her recollections of some notable men and women.

Hiram S. Maxim's article "National Differences in Labor-Handling Methods," which leads The Engineering Magazine for December, is one of the most important contributions yet made to a topic of paramount interest and significance—the sudden advance of the United States to a commanding pasisignificance—the sudden advance of the United States to a commanding position in the competitive industrial struggle, which marks the close of the nineteenth century. America's great distance from the vast markets of Europe and the east, and her high scale of wages, long gave the European manufacturer a sense of confident security and confined the efforts of the American to his home field. Mr. Maxim shows that the concentration of American genius upon the production of labor-saving machinery, enabling work of the highest accuracy to be turned out in enormous quantity by the simple operative, has revolutionized the situaoperative, has revolutionized the situa-tion, aided by the blind fatuity of the British trade unionist in hastening his downfall.

The Christmas number of The Bookman is a strikingly attractive issue, rich in the quality of its matter and unrivalled in variety. The department of Chronicle and Comment, always interesting, is very full and meaty. The illustrations are artistic, and every feature of the present publication makes it a most valuable addition to the reading tables of those of literary tastes.

# A Safe President.

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Pittsburg Dispatch: While criticising and opposing some of its positions, we clearly recognize that it is the message of a President careful and conservative in his study of public questions, but who, having made up his united on any point, does not hesitate to strongly support any action that he decides to be essential. It indicates that President McKinley is a safe President, and at the same time that he will be a strong one on all measures as to the necessity of which he is fully convinced.

His Analysis Wonderfully Clear.

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New York Mail and Express: The force with which the necessity of currency reform is presented will give courage to those half hearted and timorous statesmen who on the eve of the meeting of Congress have been advocating a do-nothing polley. Whatever the result, it is plainly the part of duty as well as of wisdom to face the problem with bravery and to endeavor its solution with surery and intelligence. The President's analysis of national finances is wonderfully clear and encouraging. His presentation of the need of providing that greenbacks, when redeemed in gold, shall be paid out only in exchange for gold is admirably summed up in his characterization of the "endless chain process" as one which creates "another interest bearing debt." This, at least, Congress can remedy without serious opposition. He invites attention to the claborate plan of Secretary Gage, and makes three specific recommendations as to bank circulation that defy criticism.

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Pittsburgh Times: President McKinley's message is a more conservative
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although coming from a conservative
man. It is a dignified utterance, with
pertinent matter presented in a readable style. Its freedom from jingoism,
or from spreadengle flights of fancy,
will meet hearty approval at this time,
when the country has started on its
way to industrial activity, for the tone
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sale. "Fuck. Mistress (severely)—"If such a thing occurs again, .orah, I shall have to get another servant." Norah—"Oi wish yez wud-there's aisly enough wurruk for two av us."—Puck.

Young Mother—"What do you think of the baby? Isn't it a little peach?" Bachelor Brother—"Oh, yes, of course; and you ought to be thankful that it isn't a pair."—Chicago News.

Isn't a pair. — change reveal.

Freddy—"There's one thing about
Dunleigh. He always says what he
means." Duddy—"I know. But then
there's no maning in anything he says."

—Boston Transcript.

A father recently wrote to Oxford University: "What are your terms for a year? And does it cost anything extra if my son wants to learn to read and write as well as to row a boat?"—Tit-

The Kentucky Way,-Col. Corkright The Kentucky Way.—Col. Corkright—"I understand that Majah Gore is terribly despondent ovuh his failure in business." Col. Bludsoe—"Yes, suh; the majah is so worred ovuh his financial troubles that he has been driven from drink."—Puck.

from drink."—Puck.

What Puzzled Him.—"Yes," he said thoughtfully, "I admit that I have been leading a pretty fast life, and everyone seems to agree that I ought to reform. But the fact is, I don't know what I ought to do first." "Ought to do first." they all cried in astonishment. "Why, you ought to settle down and—" "That's just the question he interrupted. "Ought I to settle down or settle up?"—Chicago Evening News.

#### A Mince-Pie Effect.

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dreamt I wore whiskers of cardinal bue. In which ravens had builded their nests; dreamt that my vitals were filled with hot glue.
And that devils at me poked their jests.

I dreamt that a tiger was locked in my

room.

And its breath was most painfully night.
But just as I died I escaped from my doom.
With bitter regrets for the pic.

- Quincy (Ill.) Herald.

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